

# Education matters

**Education Matters** is KET's monthly series exploring the educational issues that face Kentuckians. The program is hosted by KET's public affairs reporter, Bill Goodman.

## Topics/Schedule

- **Program 1: The New Vision for Kentucky Schools**

*Broadcast in January, watch online*

Concentrates on Senate Bill 1, which became law in Dec. 2009, and its potential impact on Kentucky education in the areas of teacher quality and student assessment and achievement. Guests include: Terry Holliday, commissioner of education, Kentucky Department of Education; Robert King, president, Council on Postsecondary Education; and Phillip Rogers, executive director, Education Professional Standards Board.

- **Program 2: New Approaches to Quality Teaching**

*Repeats Friday, March 12 at 4:00 am EST on KET1 or watch online*

Focuses on recruiting, developing, rewarding, and retaining teachers in Kentucky. Also, a general discussion about teacher effectiveness – what it is, how it's measured, and how to help teachers achieve it. Guests include: Felicia Cumings Smith, associate commissioner, Office of Teaching and Learning; Kem Cothran, principal, Benton Middle School, Marshall County; Brent McKim, president, Jefferson County Teachers Association; and Cathy Gunn, dean, College of Education, Morehead State University (prerecorded interview).

- **Program 3: Assessment in Teaching and Learning**

*Premieres Tuesday, March 23 at 9:00 pm EST on KET1 (see online KET Program Schedule for additional broadcasts) or watch online following the first broadcast*

Looks at how Senate Bill 1 has changed the way that K-12 students are tested and evaluated, exploring “data-driven” instruction, how can assessment be used to help individual students achieve academic success, and the relationship between assessment and the new “Common Core Standards.”

- **Program 4: Turning Around Struggling Schools**

*Premieres Tuesday, April 20 at 9:00 pm EDT on KET1 (see online KET Program Schedule for additional broadcasts) or watch online following the first broadcast*

Explores how Senate Bill 1 addresses the issue of helping the state's lowest-performing schools better prepare their students for college and careers in the 21st century.

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